

IRA NORTON JACOB

Ira Norton Jacob, pioneer of 1848, born October 16, 1840, at Crooked Creek near Pilot Grove, Hancock County, Illinois, died February 9, 1906. A son of Norton and Emily Heaton Jacob. As a small boy of seven years, he came with his parents in the pioneer trek of 1848 to Utah, arriving in Great Salt Lake Valley, September 24, where the family lived for the next few years. Sometime during 1860 the Jacobs moved to Provo Valley, locating in the area of the Upper Snake Creek.

(1) It was in Mound City that Ira met and courted Julia Jemeyma Gerber, daughter of Dr. John and Anna Maria Ackeret Gerber, pioneers of 1854. Julia Ann was born August 22, 1845, at Gravois near St. Louis, Missouri. They were married at Mound City, January 5, 1863, and began a happy life together. However, as Ira reported in his father's diary, "My dear wife Julia lost her life in giving birth to our first child, (March 26, 1864), whom we named Ira Julian. He only lived 16 days being born March 23, 1864, and died April 2nd." Mother and babe were buried in the same grave in what is called the "Upper Cemetery." This was a great sorrow for Ira, as well as other members in the small community, as gracious Julia Jemeyma was beloved by all who knew her.

(2) Later Ira married Lovia Ellen Clift, daughter of George W. and Amanda Clift at Mound City March 27, 1865. Six children were born to them:

Ralph Clifton
George Isaac
Ira Edgar
Ina Ellen

John Ezra
Oscar Norton.

Ira Jacob took an active interest in the Midway Ward and community. On March 11, 1868, he was appointed as second counselor to Sidney H. Epperson, who was Presiding Elder of Midway. In addition, he took part in dramatic entertainments. He was a veteran of the Black Hawk War serving as Captain of the Infantry Company of the Wasatch County Militia.

He moved with his family to Wanship December 31, 1880, then moved again to Ashley Valley.

He died at Loma, Mesa County, Colorado.

Captain Ira Norton Jacob, Infantry Company

Ira N. Jacob, Captain
William W. Wilson, 1st Lieut.
Robert Cunningham, 2nd Lieut.
George Dabbling, 2nd Lieut.
William McGhie, 2nd Lieut.
Peter Abplanalp, 2nd Lieut.
James Low, 2nd Lieut.
Samuel Thomson, 2nd Lieut.
John O'Neil, Sergeant
John L. Gerber, Sergeant
George Wilson, Sergeant
John Huber, Sergeant
John Sutherland, Sergeant
John Fausett, Sergeant
John Robertson
Thomas Fisher
Moroni Blood
James O'Neil
Allen Morton
Joseph Jacob
George Clift
Simon S. Higgenbottom
Thompson Ritter
James Gurr, Sr.
William R. Buhler
Marino McOlney
Adam Thompson
John Ross
Louis Gerber
David F. Hamilton
Thomas Thorton
Jacob Duel
Attewell Wootton

Edward Condor
Lucien H. Jacobs
William Coleman
Joshua Weed
George Bonner
Harvey Meeks
John Davis
Enoch Davis
John Robertson
Henry Love
Conrad Abegglen
Jacob Buhler
Jacob Burgner
Casper Sulser
John Sulser
Martin Naegell
Hyrum Shelton
Herbert Hosser
Joseph All
Charles Allen
Edwin Wardle
James Provost
Mark Smith
David Provost
James W. Fisher
John Moser
David Wood
Andrew Hamilton
Jeremiah Roby, Jr.
Jacob Ertzinger
James Davis
Christian Abegglen
Ulrich Abegglen

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